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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to calculation of the filing fee, please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 3 with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- This application is a divisional of U.S. Ser. No. 09/160,454, filed on September 24, 1998, now allowed, which claims priority from provisional application U.S. Ser. No. 60/100,947, filed on September 18, 1998, now abandoned, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.

This application is related to the following applications that have been incorporated in their entirety by reference: Application U.S. Ser. No. 09/160,458 entitled "Inventory Control" filed September 24, 1998 and application U.S. Ser. No. 09/156,863 entitled "Water-Soluble Luminescent Nanocrystals" filed on September 18, 1998.--

In the claims:

Cancel claim 1-45 and 48 without prejudice.

REMARKS

Applicants have cancelled claims 1-45 and 48 without prejudice. Applicants have also amended the priority statement in the specification. Claims 46 and 47 are pending.

Attached is a marked-up version of the changes being made by the current amendment.